

#148

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

Page 1

SITREP 02092 (2) doc
DATE 05-02-2006 BY
60309AUCTAM/MLT/CLS DUP
TO 1006600, DATED 3/29/06
UNCLASSIFIED - EFTO

FBI/DS Deployment - Freetown, Sierra Leone

Situation Report

As of 2200Z 02/09/2004

b6
b7C

Activity:

The team met with Special Court for Sierra Leone (SCSL) [redacted] on 02/09/2004. [redacted] provided access to an SCSL protected witness, symbol number [redacted]. The team interviewed [redacted] with pertinent results, see the attached report. Subsequent to this interview [redacted] provided the team with documents related to the investigation in Monrovia, Liberia, about which he had been interviewed on 02/08/2004. These documents, in conjunction with the results of his interview, are documented in the attached report.

[redacted] advised the team it would again not be able to interview [redacted] as it was now the rule of the SCSL that no detainees could be interviewed without the permission of their defense counsel. According to [redacted] his counsel could not be reached, but was due to arrive in Freetown on the evening of 02/16/2004. It is [redacted] belief it is unlikely [redacted] defense will allow an interview, although it is possible.

The team continues to maintain a dialog with Amembassy Monrovia to facilitate the team's travel there. **The team is in receipt of the fund site information, much appreciated.** Country clearance has been received from Amembassy Monrovia, and RSO Monrovia has advised he will have a vehicle to meet the team upon their arrival on 02/10/2004.

The team received a phone call from SA [redacted] FBI WFO, regarding the cable mentioned in the previous 02/09/2004 sitrep. SA [redacted] advised that, while she had not seen the cable, she was in the process of closing the case and did not want the team to attempt to cover the lead information provided in the cable. Therefore, the team will not conduct this investigation.

Intent:

The team, minus [redacted] will travel to Monrovia on 02/10/2004 as described in the previous 02/09/2004 sitrep. The team will make all appropriate contacts once it has arrived at Amembassy Monrovia.

[redacted] will remain in Freetown and attempt to contact [redacted] defense counsel in order to request permission to interview him. If permission is granted, an interview will be arranged as soon as possible, and may be accomplished by the Monrovia element upon their return to Freetown. If the defense counsel cannot be reached, the team does not intend to extend in Freetown for the counsel's arrival. Not only does SCSL staff not believe permission for such an interview will be granted, the team's investigation to date makes it unlikely that an interview [redacted] would be fruitful in any case.

UNCLASSIFIED - EFTO

1 of 2

MISC. REQ. #57

000005712

[REDACTED] - SITREP - 02092 (2).doc

Page 2

UNCLASSIFIED - EFTO

b6
b7C

The team anticipates reporting from Amembassies Dakar and Kinshasa, and additional reporting from Amembassy Monrovia.

Personnel:

NSTR.

Administrative/Logistical:

It is apparent, based on DOS traffic to the team, that there is some confusion about [REDACTED] requirements at Dulles. He is not traveling due to a medical emergency, but is traveling as originally scheduled in order to be at home in time for his wife's pre-planned surgery. TL requests only that the standard expediting conducted by the Dulles RA be provided to [REDACTED] upon their arrival to avoid any confusion with BICE, and to ensure any such confusion does not interfere with [REDACTED] domestic connection. For clarity, [REDACTED] itinerary is resent below:

Depart Freetown as scheduled on 02/12/2004, arriving at Washington, Dulles via Brussels at 1530 hrs on 02/13/2004 on United Airlines Flight 951.

Safety/Medical:

NSTR.

// [REDACTED]

UNCLASSIFIED - EFTO

2 of 2

MISC. REQ. #57

000005713